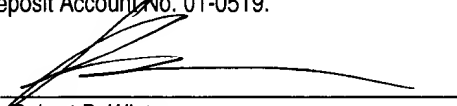
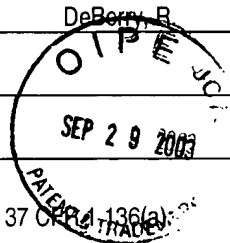


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In Re Application of Boyle, William						
For Osteoprotegerin Binding Proteins						
<p>TO THE ASSISTANT COMMISSIONER FOR PATENTS:</p> <p><input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Applicant(s) request(s) the following extension of time under 37 C.F.R. 1.136(a):</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> One month of original due date (\$110.00)</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> Two months of original due date (\$410.00)</p> <p><input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Three months of original due date (\$930.00)</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> Four months of original due date (\$1,450.00)</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> Five months of original due date (\$1,970.00)</p> <p><input checked="" type="checkbox"/> A response in connection with the matter for which this extension is requested:</p> <p><input checked="" type="checkbox"/> is filed herewith.</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> has been filed.</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> The response is the filing of a continuing prosecution application, the prior application having an express abandonment conditioned on the granting of a filing date to the continuing application.</p> <p><input checked="" type="checkbox"/> The accompanying papers include amended claims for which no additional fee is required.</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> The accompanying papers include amended claims the fee for which has been calculated as follows:</p>						
<b>CLAIMS AS AMENDED</b>						
(1)	(2) Claims remaining After amendment	(3)	(4) Highest number Previously paid for	(5) No. of Extra claims present	(6) Rate	(7) Additional Fee
Total Claims	11	Minus	42 =	0	x \$18	= \$ 0.00
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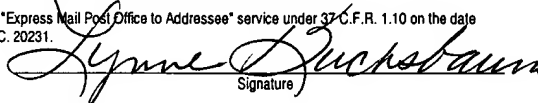
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**AMENDMENT AND RESPONSE**Assistant Commissioner for Patents  
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Sir:

This is in response to the Office Action dated March 27, 2003 in which Claims 58-81 are rejected under 35 U.S.C. 102, 103 and 112 and objected to under 37 CFR 1.75(c). Reconsideration and withdrawal of the rejections and objections are requested.

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